

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1151

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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Sharol Uribe on her selection as Teacher of the Year at Uffelman Elementary School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Sharol Uribe is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Uribe has recently been selected Teacher of the Year by Uffelman Elementary School, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher as it recognizes the positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, an astute student herself, Sharol Uribe received her bachelor's degree from the University of South Florida in 1987 and National Board Certification as a Middle Childhood Generalist in 2001; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Uribe has served with acumen and alacrity as a teacher for seventeen exemplary years, teaching in elementary, intermediate, and middle schools in Florida from 1987 to 2003 before becoming a third grade teacher at Uffelman Elementary in 2004; and

WHEREAS, Sharol Uribe gives back to her profession through her membership in various professional organizations, including the Professional Educators of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, distinguishing herself as an educational leader, Ms. Uribe has participated in numerous educational leadership activities, including mentoring countless teachers and student teachers, serving on the Young Author's Committee, and developing the 1990 Hernando County summer school program; from 1995 to 2002, she maintained her classroom as a Project CHILD national demonstration site and hosted representatives from across the country in order to exhibit the program's innovative and effective teaching practices; and

WHEREAS, Sharol Uribe's excellence as an educator has been duly recognized by her receipt of many honors and awards, including 2001 accolades for her admirable lesson plans, a 2002 award for being a five year innovation sustainer of Project CHILD, and first place in Hernando County's 1990 Economics Fair; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Uribe is a civic-minded individual who tirelessly works for the improvement of her community; she contributes her time and many talents as a Sunday School teacher, youth group leader, and summer mission trip organizer for her church; she also organizes food drives in her community to benefit those whom life has treated unkindly; and

WHEREAS, Sharol Uribe is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, both as scholars and as citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Uribe truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Uribe epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Sharol Uribe on being chosen as Teacher of the Year at Uffelman Elementary School, commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.